

**Comprehensive Plan Update  
Community Questions  
January 2005**

**Please share your thoughts on these questions with the Planning Board:**

**What are the identified needs of the community relating to:**

- ☐ **Housing (public sector and private sector).**
- ☐ **Regional Services (educational, social, medical, recreational, cultural, libraries, etc.).**
- ☐ **Economic Development.**
- ☐ **Natural Resources (including, parks, open spaces, City Woods and Forest, river and streams, wetlands, wildlife habitat, scenic areas, farmland, etc).**
- ☐ **Municipal Services (public schools, public safety, bus system, airport, homeless shelters, historic preservation, parking, solid waste disposal, street and sidewalk maintenance, lighting, etc).**
- ☐ **Land use.**

**When new development is proposed, what type of development should be promoted in Bangor?**

- ☐ **More affordable single family homes.**
- ☐ **Infill traditional style homes in established neighborhoods.**
- ☐ **Higher value single family homes.**
- ☐ **More multi-family dwellings.**
- ☐ **Big box retailers like Wal-Mart.**
- ☐ **Small-scale retail shops.**
- ☐ **Retail shopping and service centers.**
- ☐ **Arts and cultural activities.**
- ☐ **Small office complexes.**
- ☐ **Larger corporate office buildings.**
- ☐ **Industrial and manufacturing businesses.**
- ☐ **Recreation facilities.**
- ☐ **Other types of development.**

**Are the public facilities that are offered by the City adequate to service the community?**

**Are there new services, or improvements to existing services, that the City should provide to its residents?**

**Should the City concentrate its efforts on improving (some examples):**

- ☐ Downtown revitalization?
- ☐ Waterfront redevelopment?
- ☐ Bass Park redevelopment?
- ☐ Attracting and retaining businesses?
- ☐ Housing options?
- ☐ Public schools?
- ☐ Traffic circulation?
- ☐ Parks and open space acquisition and development?
- ☐ Establishing new commercial areas and business parks?
- ☐ Arts and entertainment offerings?
- ☐ Landscaping along major roadways?
- ☐ Appearance of commercial corridors?
- ☐ Public safety?
- ☐ Development of additional trails for walking, biking, etc.?
- ☐ Other areas?

**How satisfied are you with the City's:**

- ☐ Budget priorities?
- ☐ Responsiveness to citizen concerns?
- ☐ Management of resources?
- ☐ Responsiveness to current development and/or conservation issues?
- ☐ Codes and ordinances?

**What are your preferences for funding municipal services and public improvements?**

- ☐ Local sales tax.
- ☐ User fees for facilities and programs.
- ☐ Refunding part of State sales tax to City.
- ☐ Increased real estate taxes.
- ☐ City income tax.
- ☐ Fees for services for tax exempt real estate.
- ☐ Impact fees from developers.
- ☐ Local lodging tax.
- ☐ Increased fees for municipal permits and licenses.
- ☐ Other means.

**The reason I live in Bangor is (prioritize):**

- ☐ Quality schools.
- ☐ Sense of community.
- ☐ Employment opportunities.
- ☐ Shopping opportunities.
- ☐ Safe neighborhoods.
- ☐ Convenient location.
- ☐ Quality of public services.
- ☐ Recreational opportunities.
- ☐ Cultural opportunities.
- ☐ Property values.
- ☐ General quality of life.
- ☐ Other factors.

**What do you think is the best way to reach/educate residents about important community issues?**